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(b) if so, whether there is a need to revamp the functioning of AIIMS and to bring a more professional touch;

(c) if so, the steps taken and proposed to be taken in that direction; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The functioning of the Institute is reviewed from time to time by various statutory and other committees. Suggestions made by these committees are incorporated to the best possible extent.

Harm caused by unrecognised Medical Institutions

3488. SHRI JOY NADUKKARA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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World Bank response to National T.B. Control Programme

3489. SHRI S. MUTHU MANI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have submitted any proposal to World Bank